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MANABU AKAMATSU

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Application No.: 10/674,424

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TURBO CODING AND DECODING IN A DISK DRIVE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references have been considered, per MPEP § 609.

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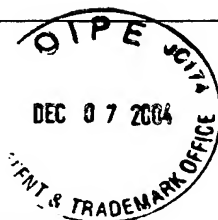
An English language version of the Austrian Communication (Search and Examination Report) issued June 4, 2004, is attached for the Examiner's information.

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